AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION:

Please enter the following section heading and paragraph immediately following p. 27, line 3, and before p. 28, line 1, of the application as filed:

Deposit of Biological Material

Mammalian metapneumovirus isolate NL/1/00 "MPV-isolate 00-1" has been deposited with the international depository authority Collection Nationale de Cultures de Microorganismes (CNCM) as deposit accession number I-2614. The address of the CNCM is Institut Pasteur, 26, Rue du Docteur Roux, F-75724 Paris Cedex 15, France. The deposits were received on January 19, 2001.